the Neem Oil to block fertility in experimental animals including monkeys. They have also prepared a cream containing Neem extracts for use as a spermicidal contraceptive. Clinical trials will be taken up as soon as the toxicology results of this product are received.

(c) and ',,d) The Government would like to support clinical trials of this product and thereafter disseminate the knowledge to the people-

Visit of officials to CGHS dispensaries

1944. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether officers of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare have ever conducted visits at various CGHS Homoeopathic Dispensaries/Units in the capital to ascertain the grievances/causes ot shortage of medicines etc.;

(b) if so, the details of such visits made by the officials during the past three years;

(c) whether Government are aware that the Homoeopathic Dispensary at R. K. Puram, New Delhi is without stocks of essential medicines for past several months; and

(d) if so, whether the dispensary was inspected and the action being taken to replenish the stocks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): *(a)* Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of such visits are as follows:—•

Year	No. of visits
1989	17
1990	16
1991	9

(c) The availability position of the essential medicines in R.K. Puram Homoeopathic dispensary has been 85 per cent. In case of non-availability of a particular brand of medicine, the available substitute is provided to the beneficiaries-

(d) The question does not arise.

Setting up of Population Counima

1945. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

SHRI R. T. GOPALAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up Population Commission to bring down the growth rate of population in the country;

(b) whether the branches of the Commission are likely to be set up at various State Headquarters also;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred thereon; and

(e) the extent to which the target of population control is likely to be achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (e) To impart a new thrust and dynamism to the Family Welfare Programme, a draft Action Plan has been evolved in consultation with the representatives of State Governments/ Union Territories Administration. One of the suggestions being considered in the said draft Action Plan is the constitution of a Population Commission, details of which are vet to be finalised.

Oral polio vaccine

1946. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an oral polio vaccine developed by Central Research Institute is pending clearance for a long time;